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Dear Co-Chair Winfield, Co-Chair Stafstrom, Vice Chair Flexer, Vice Chair Blumenthal, Ranking Member Kissel, Ranking Member Fishbein, and all members of the Judiciary Committee:

**I respectfully write to you to ask you to OPPOSE SB 5416: An Act Concerning Bulk Purchases of Pistols and Revolvers.**

The lawful purchase of pistols and revolvers involves a criminal background check. An individual, who is not a criminal, is checked to see if they are in fact a criminal. Now, having established that only law-abiding citizens can legally purchase firearms, what criminally deterring benefit might there be by restricting purchases to one firearm sale per month? I may receive a large sum of money or may have saved for a period of time and decide to purchase two pistols a year but may do so concurrently. Again, what criminally deterrent benefit does this provide? Non-criminal constituents purchasing legal firearms. This proposes exemption to state agencies because they are a special class but we're different? This doesn't make any sense and is not good policy.

Please vote to OPPOSE S.B. 5416. There is no benefit to having such a law on the books. It is clearly discriminatory in nature as the language clearly states.

Regards,

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